

HOSPITAL ACTIVITY UPDATE



February 24, 2022

COVID-19 Status as of 10:00 am:

Total Positive Cases in the Hospital	40	Current COVID-19 Outbreaks in the Hospital	0
Positive Cases in the ICU	8	Our Hospital's Internal Pandemic Response Level	Grey (Lockdown)
Number of Patients on the 3B COVID-19 Unit	27		
Active Lab Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 in the TBDHU district	307		

Our Hospital continues to be in Level Grey (Lockdown) as case counts remain high in the community and across the region. All staff, professional staff, learners, volunteers, and essential contractors while in any Hospital location, are reminded to wear a mask and eye protection and practice proper hand hygiene immediately upon entry until exit and at all times. Masks and eye protection can only be removed if you are in an approved break area when eating, drinking and when able to maintain a distance of two metres / six feet or more from others (this includes patients and co-workers) or if you are in a private office or workspace. This applies to all TBRHSC sites (including 980, 984, 1040 Oliver Road and Munro Street).

Wearing PPE and practicing proper hand hygiene protects you, protects your colleagues and protects our patients and their families. Thank you to all who have remained diligent with their compliance. Please hold yourself and each other accountable to all Infection Prevention and Control requirements.

Everyone at the workplace has a shared responsibility for safety and health, including your mental health. Please remember that there are several resources available to staff on the intranet, under 'COVID-19 Resources' to help you focus on your health and wellness. For more information, visit <https://comms.tbrhsc.net/covid-19-information/staff-wellness-resources/>.

Lakehead University is launching a community-based education series to support those seeking to understand and respond to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action. Featuring Indigenous Elders and knowledge keepers, the five-week series, *Truth and Reconciliation: Community Dialogues*, will focus on learning truths related to Indigenous histories and contemporary experiences in Canada, and discussing how reconciliation can be enacted in meaningful ways in our communities. Developed through a partnership between Wesley-Esquimaux and Lakehead's Office of Community Engagement and Lifelong Learning, the series is geared toward youth and adults who are ready to engage with truth and participate in reconciliation. Supported in part by funding from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, this free series will be held over five weeks from March 1st to March 29th, on Tuesdays via Zoom. Hospital staff who are interested can register online at www.lakeheadu.ca/cell.

Employee Recognition Week (February 27 – March 4) is quickly approaching and we know that many people have already gone above and beyond the call of duty in terms of responding, planning, redeploying, cancelling vacations and staying informed during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Staff Appreciation activities continue

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across the organization, with staff receiving small gestures of appreciation – such as meal vouchers, coffee or tea and baked goods. Our gratitude for all your work extends far beyond these small expressions of thanks. Please know that we are so appreciative of all your hard work and commitment. We recognize the burnout that all employees and their families are experiencing at this time and the fatigue endured by this ongoing pandemic. We want you to know you are appreciated.

Finally, you are invited to view the 2021 Walk the Talk Awards ceremony, presented virtually via Webex on February 28th starting at 9:30 am. The Walk the Talk Awards program is open to all employees, professional staff and volunteers of our Hospital to provide a forum for staff to recognize other staff, peer-to-peer, for their exemplary efforts. All submitted nominations are shortlisted by our very own Patient Family Advisors and the winners are chosen with an organization-wide voting system, to ensure that the award recipients are truly selected by their peers. To view the ceremony live, visit <https://bit.ly/2021WTT-Feb28> and keep an eye on the Daily Informed Newsletter and the Hospital's social media for information about Employee Recognition Week activities and announcements.

Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre is a leader in Patient and Family Centred Care and a research and teaching hospital proudly affiliated with **Lakehead University, the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and Confederation College**.

Le Centre régional des sciences de la santé de Thunder Bay, un hôpital d'enseignement et de recherche, est reconnu comme un leader dans la prestation de soins et de services aux patients et aux familles et est fier de son affiliation à l'**université Lakehead, à l'École de médecine du Nord de l'Ontario et au collège Confédération**.

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